THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TWENTY-THIRD SESSION OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL UNDER THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA

Friday, the 17th January 1964.

The House met in the Council Chamber, Fort St. George, at half past Ten of the Clock, Mr. Chairman (THE HON. DR. P. V. CHERIAN) in the Chair.

I—CONDOLENCE RESOLUTION ON THE DEATH OF SRI T. P. SRINIVASA-VARADAN, A MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I deeply regret to inform the House of the sudden and untimely death of Sri T. P. Srinivasavaradan, a Member of this House, on the 23rd December 1963.

Born on 15th November 1897, Sri T. P. Srinivasavaradan had his education in the Pachaiyappa's High School, Kancheepuram, and the Pachaiyappa's College, Madras. He was the Headmaster of the Hindu High School, Madras, for over a decade. He was the President of the South Indian Teacher's Union and Vice-President of the Madras Teachers' Guild Co-operative Society. He was also one of the Sectional Secretaries of the All India Federation of Educational Association for over six years. In 1959, he visited the United Kingdom on the invitation of the British Council. He was the publisher of 'South Indian Teachers' and 'Balar Kalvi'. He was a Member of this House since 1956 elected by the Teachers' Constituency.

He was an eminent educationist deeply devoted to the cause of education and the welfare of teachers, whose cause he espoused with zeal and sincerity. He functioned as a Member of this House with a high sense of duty and made very valuable contribution to the debates and discussions that took place in the House. In his death, we have lost a good colleague and a genial friend.

I now move the Condolence Resolution :—

'This House places on record its deep sense of sorrow at the demise of Sri T. P. Srinivasavaradan, a Member of this House, and conveys its profound sympathy to the members of the bereaved family'.

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Mr. Chairman, it is with very deep regret that I associate the Government and the House with the sentiments of sorrow which you have expressed on the demise of one of our very dear and valued colleagues, Sri T. P. Srinivasavaradan. Sir, apart from his great achievements in the field of education, he proved that the legislature of the country was a sacred one and one should do one's duty by the legislature at all times. I have never found him talking without preparation or talking without relevance to the subject-matter

In fact, he functioned as a model legislator in our House. He always brought to bear his independent judgment on all the problems, and if this House has gained reputation for detached and unbiassed criticism of the Government's policies, Sri Srinivasavaradan's contribution has been a very valuable one in making that reputation. He was devoted to the cause he espoused. In addition to his great service to the secondary educaion, in the later days of his life, he devoted his attention to co-operation, and started a Housing Society, in the bringing up of which he spared no pains. I am afraid his death was hastened on account of the strain and stress which he had to undergo in formulating the scheme and getting it through. The other day before he actually collapsed, he was discussing with me for about an hour on all the things that had got to be done for improving the housing of teachers, of the lower middle class and the various schemes that he had contemplated for fulfilling this task. It is very unfortunate that a brilliant career of service to the country has been snapped so suddenly. May his soul rest in peace.

DR. A. LAKSHMANASWAMI MUDALIAR: Mr. Chairman, it is with deep regret that I associate myself with the sentiments expressed by you and by the Leader of the House. It was my privilege to have known Mr. T. P. Srinivasavaradan for over thirty years. First, in the capacity of an educationist, he succeeded to the *gadi* as the Headmaster of one of the most famous high schools of this Presidency, a school which is always associated with the hallowed name of the Rt. Hon. V. S. Srinivasa Sastri, and in that capacity, he proved to be a person well worth to be his successor. His contributions to the educational field are many and varied. I have attended many of the educational conferences where he played a significant part, both Provincial and all-India Educational conferences. He was a tower of strength to the teaching profession. But in his advocacy of the rights of the teaching profession, hee always took care to see whether there was anything on the other side also which he should take note of. He brought to bear a judicial frame of mind in all his advocacy. In the Council we shall miss him vey much indeed. We shall miss him because of his sage advice at all times. We shall miss him because he has set an example of what a legislator ought to be like, free, independent, and at the same time without malice, without prejudice, without fear or without favour. Mr. Srinivasavaradan's place there will be much missed by all of us, who have been associated with him. I do feel a great deal of regret that a person of that nature should have been cut away at the most valuable period of his life. I associate myself once more with all the sentiments that you and the Leader of the House have expressed.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I now request hon. Members to stand in silence for a minute and pass the resolution unanimously.

The Resolution was passed *nem. con.*, all the Members standing in silence for a minute.

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MR. CHAIRMAN : The House will now adjourn for the day **as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Sri T. P. Srinivasa**varadan and will meet again at 10-30 a.m. to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

II—PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE OF THE HOUSE.

* 1. *Notification issued by the Collector and Inspector of Panchayats, dated 20th July 1963, regarding removal of Sri S. M. Ponnuswamy Gounder, President of Melanur Panchayat in Wandiwash Taluk of North Arcot District from the office of the said panchayat.*

* 2. *Notification issued with G.O. Ms. No. 2084, Rural Development and Local Administration, dated 26th September 1963, regarding appointment of Members for the Kodaikanal Township Committee.*

* 3. *Notification issued with G.O. Ms. No. 2726, Revenue, dated 11th September 1963, regarding amendment to the Indian Stamp Rules, 1925.*

* 4. *Notification issued with G.O. Ms. No. 2935, Food and Agriculture, dated 4th October 1963, regarding establishment of market at Cuddalore New Town under section 5 (3) of the Madras Agricultural Produce Markets Act, 1959.*

* 5. *Notification issued with Government Memorandum No. 106341-A-IV/63-3, Food and Agriculture, dated 18th October 1963, directing the Tiruchirappalli Market Committee to provide facilities for the purchase and sale of gingelly, paddy, groundnut and chillies in the regulated market at Thennilai.*

* 6. *List of names of persons convicted under the Central Sales Tax Act, 1956 for the quarters ended 31st March and 30th June 1963.*

* 7. *Notification issued with G.O. Ms. No. 4808, Industries, Labour and Co-operation (Co-operation), dated 4th October 1963, regarding issue of amendment to the Rules framed under the Madras Ware-houses Act, 1951.*

* 8. *Notification issued with G.O. Ms. No. 3047, Revenue, dated 15th October 1963, regarding deletion of 'Duranallur' from the notification under section 22 of the Madras Estates (Abolition and Conversion into Ryotwari) Act, 1948.*

* 9. *Notification issued with G.O. Ms. No. 1519, Public (Services-A), dated 26th September 1963, regarding exclusion of certain posts in the Madras Ministerial Service from the purview of the Madras Public Service Commission.*

*10. *Notification issued with G.O. Ms. No. 3167, Food and Agriculture, dated 22nd October 1963, directing the Ramanathapuram Market Committee to provide facilities for the purchase and*